Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—(a), (b) and (c)The Government have no statistics to enable them to furnish information on the points.

Medical attendance—College Hostels.

607. Mr. K. Mohamed Seethi.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) how long an Assistant Surgeon of the Ernakulam General Hospital has been deputed for medical attendance on the inmates of His Highness the Maharaja's College Hostels;

(b) what monthly allowance he is being given;

(c) whether Dr. Pai, the Assistant Surgeon so deputed is the nominee of Mr. Pai, the Warden;

(d) under the circumstances the warden's opinion in the matter was sought by the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer;

(e) whether this procedure has been followed in the case of medical attendance at the Residential Palace as well as in that of the Medical Inspection of Schools;

(f) why Dr. T. Gopala Menon, Dr. Pai's senior, was not deputed for the work which he was made to attend to while Dr. Pai was in charge of the Cranganur Hospital?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—(a) From 24th Thulam 1107.

(b) A monthly allowance of Rs. 25 except for the mid-summer vacation when the hostels are closed.

(c) Yes.

(d) As the responsibility of looking after the welfare of the students rests with the Warden, the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer thought that the Warden also should have a voice in the selection of the Medical Officer. Tha Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer therefore asked the Warden whom of the three Assistant Surgeons then available in the General Hospital he would prefer.

(e) It has been followed in the matter of medical attendance at the Residential Palace, but not in the case of medical inspection of schools for which there is a separate staff appointed.

(f) Because the Warden wanted the services of Dr. Pai. There are seniors to Assistant Surgeon Gopala Menon also in the Hospital.

Grades of District Registrars.

608. Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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